



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

CROWDER et al.

Serial No.: 09/975,593

Filed: October 10, 2001

Atty. File No.: 3123-379

For: SUSPENSION SWAGE PLATE WITH
APPLIED SOLID FILM LUBRICANT
AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLING
THE SAME

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Dear Sir:

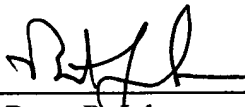
Telephonic interviews were conducted with the Examiner on May 9, 2005 and May 17, 2005. The purpose of these interviews were to discuss the Appeal Brief. In the interview of May 9, 2005, the Examiner indicated that the Amendment After Final was not entered, the Appendix B had been omitted, and the Certificate of Mailing dated July 11, 2003 would be accepted. Applicant's attorney pointed out that Appendix B to the Appeal Brief was simply a copy of the Amendment After Final, and Applicant notes on the image file wrapper of the present application that there is a miscellaneous entry which appears to be the Appendix B separated from the Appeal Brief. In the interview of May 17, 2005, the Amendment After Final was further discussed and the Examiner pointed out that Claim 13 had been amended to include limitations which raised new issues and which would require further consideration and search. The

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Examiner also indicated that the amended Claim 13 appeared to overcome the rejection mailed on October 6, 2003.

Filed concurrently herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the present application. Applicant wishes for the Amendment After Final to be entered so that examination may continue in lieu of the Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,
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